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ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an international institute named `Hedle Centre Britain` has given a warning to the developed and developing countries about the impending natural calamities in the coming years;

(b) if so, whether India has also received the conclusions of the study done by the institute;

(c) if so, the details of the conclusions;

(d) whether the Government`s attention has been drawn to a report appearing in `Navbharat Times` of February 20, 2001 in this regard; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken by India to protect environment?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) The Government is not aware of such a warning by the Hadley Centre.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The existing policy and legal framework in the country supported by several initiatives adequately address the concerns of environmental protection.